

REMARKS

By virtue of the amendments above, Claims 2 and 8 have been canceled, and Claims 1 and 7 have been amended. Claims 1, 3, 5, 6, 7, 9, 11 and 12 are pending. No new matter has been introduced by way of the amendments above.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 9, 11 and 12 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected based claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form.

Claim 1 has been amended to include the limitation of Claim 2, and Claim 7 has been amended to include the limitation of Claim 8. Thus, Claims 1 and 7 should now be in condition for allowance. Dependent Claims 3, 5, 6, 9, 11 and 12 should also be in condition for allowance at least by virtue of their dependency to respective Claims 1 and 7.

Claim Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 1 and 7 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Fisher et al.

It is submitted that this rejection is now moot in light of the amendments to Claims 1 and 7.

Conclusion

In light of the foregoing, withdrawal of the rejection of record and allowance of this application are earnestly solicited.

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